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Mr John Henshaw
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Dear John

Re: Your letter dated 7 September, 2007

Thank you for the abovementioned letter.

I need to comment, at the outset, that I have been open and helpful in the provision of information to your Association: through access to detailed budgets and plans; through briefings for Association representatives; and through attendance at Association meetings. Despite this, I continue to see information that I have provided to your Association being mis-represented.

This leads me to have a dampened enthusiasm to provide the level of detail your Association requests.

Council's long-term plan for Aurora Stadium provides for an annual subsidy of approximately \$900,000. However, all efforts will be made to identify strategies for reducing this cost.

Council's 10 Year Plan information (which has at its foundation our major works program – copy attached), already released to the public, is much more detailed than the information that would ordinarily be provided across the State and I consider it to be sufficient.

Council has agreed to own the Regional Tennis Centre land provided solely that it costs Council no more (either now or at any stage into the future) than the one-off \$400,000 grant already committed.

The major review of operations is concluded but I will continue to seek opportunities for further efficiencies.

Yours sincerely

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